- How I Teach How To Use A Camera -

First off - All you really need to learn how to capture photographs is a Camera - Any Camera - I don't care if it is a "point and shoot" Camera. (Better if the camera has adjustable shutter speeds & adjustable aperture settings.) That along with a willingness to learn, pay attention, take notes, and repeat.

My method of teaching the use of a camera is not in a "structured" classroom environment. We shall meet in a coffee shop "environment" for the decision of what to do, how to do it, and equipment involved. Then we shall move to the outdoors. Here is where we put the reading to a practical use. There will be homework, reading, practice, MORE reading, MORE practice. I shall give you all the time you need until you are comfortable with the use of your camera.

The understanding of the "Three Things" that make the capturing of a photographic print is something which I lay "heavy" on. To understand each, and the way that they effect each other, is the main importance to get the "Exposure" on the Film - Sensor - Plate = Whatever the recording medium.

I was instructed from different and sorted other photographer for over 50 years. They as well as I - were "Autodidacts" (we learn on our own.) - And Help others to do likewise. These wonderful artists gave to me their knowledge, their time, and their methods. I shall endeavor to give what I know to anyone who wishes to learn.

I will NOT teach anyone "Photoshop", or, any other editing program. For that there are other really good instructors to do this, and they are very good at what they do.

All that I ask is that you have the willingness to learn and complete the course - however long that might be. I teach because I have to.

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Thank you - James R. Kyle, Photographer - Saint Louis, Missouri.